

ABSTRACT

An optical head in which focussing error is detected by a spot size method used for recording and/or reproducing information signals on or from an optical disc. The optical head includes a unit for correcting the spot shape between the objective lens and a photodetector device. The spot shape correcting unit corrects part or all of light spots formed on the photodetector by a light beam reflected back by the optical disc so that the spot diameter in a direction traversing a track on the optical disc will be larger than the spot diameter along the track.

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